



Muzzle Training Your Dog will LOVE! Module Descriptions

We have designed this comprehensive course about Muzzles and Muzzle Training with the safety and comfort of you and your dog in mind. Below is a list of the modules and a description of what each will include. Each module will include a video teaching lesson and one or more PDF documents that provides guidelines, tips and troubleshooting ideas.

At the time that you purchase this course, all of the lesson modules will be open and available to you. Please work the lessons in order and at your dog's pace. There is little benefit to rushing this process.

You will get the most out of this course when you follow the modules in order and advance to your next module only when your dog says she is ready.

It is recommended that you download and review the handouts and then watch the video lesson before working with your dog. The handouts provide helpful tips and troubleshooting as well as guidelines on when to move to the next step.

Module 1: Introduction to Muzzles; Safety & Guidelines

Choosing the right muzzle and knowing that it is fit properly and securely are all important in ensuring the comfort and safety of your dog, as well as the safety of others. This module will discuss the two most common types of muzzles, when and how to use them, and how to ensure they fit correctly.

Module 2: The LOVE Connection

This is where the magic happens; where we build your dog's LOVE for the muzzle with one easy game. We make a connection between the muzzle and super delicious food (hotdogs, string cheese, peanut butter, chicken). This step

takes advantage of Pavlov's science of Classical Conditioning to generate a strong and long-lasting LOVE connection with the muzzle.

Module 3: Dog's Choice

Now that we have built a LOVE connection, we will ask your dog to make the choice to happily place her snout in the muzzle all on her own. We will also ask the dog to make a choice between a fist full of food and the muzzle. YES! Your dog can and will choose the muzzle over the food because placing her snout in the muzzle is what makes the food come to her.

Module 4: Duration

Now that your dog is eagerly choosing the muzzle, we will walk you through a clear and easy system for teaching your dog to willingly hold her snout in the muzzle for increasing periods of time. Each person's goal will be different, but our goal is that the dog will be able to wear her muzzle for as long as you need her to whether it's 30 minutes at the vet's office or several hours while you have guest visiting your home.

Module 5: Fastening the Straps

In this module we will introduce the straps of the muzzle to your dog. We will start nice and easy by simply holding them in place behind your dog's head. Because you successfully built a long duration your dog will remain steady while you secure the straps behind her ears.

Module 6: Let's Walk, Talk and Chew Gum

Our goal in this module is to have your dog become completely comfortable wearing the muzzle while walking with you, sitting when asked, laying down when asked etc. It seems odd, but it can be difficult for your dog to do simple behaviors while wearing the muzzle. Your sessions will be short and your dog will earn LOTS of food.

Module 7: Muzzle Games can Happen Anywhere

It's time to take your muzzle games on the road. In this module you will start to bring your dog and the muzzle to comfortable & familiar places outside of your home and play some muzzle games.

Module 8: Wrap Up

In this final and short module, we will summarize and wrap up the course.